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ACTIVE INGREDIENTS IN NATURAL PRODUCTS

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

A Final Office Action was issued on July 11, 2007. The deadline to respond is October 11, 2007. Accordingly, the RCE is now being timely submitted.

The fee for the RCE is THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$395.00) for small entity. Applicants hereby authorize the charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1891. A copy of the Request for Continued Examination Transmittal is attached herein as **Exhibit A**, (1 page, in duplicate).

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The Amendment in Response to July 11, 2007 Final Office Action is submitted herewith as **Exhibit B**, (6 pages). A shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire 3 months from the mailing date of the Office Action, i.e. October 11, 2007. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (SIDS) is submitted herewith as **Exhibit C**, (6 pages).

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee other than the THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$395.00) fee for the Request for Continued Examination is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1891.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Attorney Docket Number	702-A-US

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

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- a. ☒ ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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